



St. Mark Catholic Church

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Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays at St. Mark 4- 45pm

Mass Scheduled Intentions + Deceased

Tues, Sept. 15	St. Mark	5 pm	Jason Elder
Wed, Sept. 16	St. Paul	6:30 pm	Vickie Gaylord YFF
Thurs, Sept. 17	St. Mark	9 am	Mary McClusky+
Fri, Sept. 18	St. Paul	9 am	Therese Falder +
Sat, Sept. 19	St. Mark	5 pm	Roy Landry, Mr and Mrs Numa Landry +
Sun, Sept. 20	St. Mark	8 am	For the People of our Parishes
	St. Paul	10	Berton Family +

Next Sunday's Readings:

Isaiah 55:6-9; Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a; Matthew 20:1-16a

Reflection

In a way, today's Gospel is a logical extension of the golden rule. Earlier, Jesus taught his disciples, "Do to others whatever you would have them do to you" (Matthew 7:12). Today's parable teaches them: Forgive others as you would have them forgive you. He closes with the kicker: God will forgive you as you forgive others. None of us is sinless. None of us always does the right thing. None of us is proud of our weakest moment. Yes, we may be in the right in whatever case is leading to our resentment or anger. But if we don't forgive the person who injured us, we can't expect forgiveness from God, let alone a neighbor we ourselves have wronged.

It is one thing to forgive a minor slight, but forgiving a terrible crime is tremendously difficult. Life in prison without parole and the death penalty are consequences applied in our country to punish those found guilty of a terrible crime. Many people would say that they deserve it. As justified as we may feel in applying these sentences, both Jesus and Sirach invite us to live in a world where even the worst violence can be forgiven. Neither promises it to be easy, but it does release the burden of leaving wrath and anger to fester in our hearts.

The king in Jesus' parable is so extravagant with his mercy that he doesn't just allow the servant to delay repayment of his debt, he forgives the debt altogether. Like the father of the prodigal son or Jesus on the cross forgiving the ones who put him to death, this king is merciful beyond expectations. He is moved with compassion and this leads him to mercy without limit. He has chosen to make his world one of mercy. The servant, on the other hand, cannot appreciate the gift he's been given. He lives in a world where anger and debts fester and never truly are forgiven. He cannot accept such profligate mercy because it makes the logic of his dog-eat-dog world senseless. We can choose the world we make. May we choose correctly.

Question of the Week

Reconciliation means making a relationship whole again. Whom do I need to forgive to make our relationship whole once more?

St. Paul Stewardship		Thanks for your support!	
Total Deposit	\$6,299.41	Weekly Budget	\$ 3,800.00
St. Mark share	\$3,574.41	Year-to-date collection	\$33,864.91
Mass Intentions	\$ 20.00	Year-to-date budget	\$38,000.00
Building Fund	\$ 250.00		

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Regular Collection	\$3,448.00	Assumption	\$20.00
		All Souls	\$20.00

Prayer Requests – Theresa Weidner Griffith is now at peace. Please remember Jack and the rest of the family, as well as her soul in your prayers. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

Please remember the family and soul of Patricia Kelley. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

St. Mark: Luca Carlson, Jeanne Griffin, Sarah Nicole Kemper, Emmett Wesson, Rosemarie Blades, Chris Davies, Debbie Chamberlain, Mary Lathrop, Tommy Hayden, Jim Hosey, Beth Martin, Ellen Hirsch, Joe Eich, Jim Hibbard, Joe Merimee, Alison Price, Mandy McCutchan, Tim Johns, William and Terrence Carlin, Bill Stalter, James Weber, Pete Arriola, Makenna Finnegan, Margie Hibbard, Marie Berger, Bode Family, David Russell, Barbara Hughes, Joe and Wanda Loftus, Mary Huhnke, Sr. Mary Christine Taylor, Ann Munn, Roy Maynard, Wendy Welter Teller, Kevin Stuckner, James I. Hosey, Mawn Family, David Harkins, Austin Benthem, Diane Edelbrock Nelson, Gerry Maynard, Jan Piche, Jim Eich, Maggie Pierson, Lonnie O'Neill, Richard Berger, Shannon Doney, Sr. Joan Claire, Thatcher Parrish

Both Parishes: Lorraine Cecil, Persecuted Christians throughout the world

Please remember our shut-ins and nursing home residents in your prayers: Barb Adams, William Moertl, and all those living in nursing homes.

Pray for our military and their families, especially Tyler McElya, Monica Dukes, Tucker Pittmann, Aiden Davies, and Jack Rooyakkers.

St. Paul: Jamie Fralick, Kay Tomes, Callie Adams, Michael Gray, Jalen Morris, Shirley Carney, Tara Jeanne Perez, Jim Herbeck, Gregg Weber, Geoff Wurts, Troy Jewell, Freddie Richardville, Amanda Davis, Dixon Family in Illinois, Madge Murphy, Eileen Harvey, Johnny Roman, Miss Sherri, Lewis Wurtman, Andrea Brumley, Steve Alldredge, Karen Riedeman Schalk, Jansen Hubbard, Pam Childress, Robert Peek, Jason Goodwin, Iris Brandon, Christa Strong, Rodger Rush, Max Reil, David Cansler, Margot Shirley, Kendra Redd, Rick Bennett, Mary Reil, Beth Berton, Ronald Weidner, Mary Cheeseman.

St. Mark Lending Library

The St. Mark Lending Library has been blessed and is now open for business! It is located at the main entrance in between the outside door and the Room for Reconciliation.

When you borrow a book, please write your name and the date on the sign out sheet. No need to write the title of the book. When you return the book to the return basket, cross out your name.

Please take only one book at a time and return it as soon as you have finished it. We hope you enjoy this newly improved feature at our church

~ The St. Mark Parish Council

Sacraments

Baptism: Please contact the Pastor to schedule a Baptism. One-month notice is required.

Matrimony: To schedule a wedding, please make an appointment with Fr. Brad. At least six months are needed for preparation.

Please contact Fr. Brad at (270) 365-6786 for **Anointing of the Sick, Holy Communion** or **Pastoral calls to the sick, shut-in, or hospitalized.**

WELCOME! Please see Fr. Brad or Kathy Talley to register. If you are a current parishioner with a change in contact information, please notify Kathy Talley kfct@umich.edu or (270) 625-3433.

DIOCESAN POLICY: A full explanation of the diocese's response to sexual abuse concerns can be found in the revised sexual abuse policy, effective July 1, 2014, which is available on the bookshelf in Fr. Brad's office at St. Mark, or online <https://owensborodiocese.org/safe>.

Save the Date

Saturday, Sept. 19th **Eddyville's Founder's Day.** Help out at the St. Mark table or at least stop by and say hello!

Friday, Oct. 2nd **Eucharistic Adoration** at St. Paul starting at 8 am

Sunday, Oct. 4th **First Sunday Breakfast at St. Mark** following 8 am Mass. Bring your favorite breakfast item to share, or just come and eat.

Tuesday, Oct. 6th **Eucharistic Adoration** at St. Mark starting at 4 pm

Wednesday, Oct. 7 **No YFF Fall Break**

Sunday Oct 11th Fall Luncheon after 10am Mass at St. Paul Bring your favorite sides, casseroles, and desserts to share with family and friends.



Volunteers are needed to put flyers in 500 cups on Thursday, Sept. 17th after 9am Mass.

We still need volunteers to staff the table throughout the **afternoon on the 19th. Sign-up sheets available on the bulletin tables.**

For more information, contact Regina.

Bulletin Announcements should be sent directly to Regina (931)801-6514 or reg8926@gmail.com NLT Tuesday night.